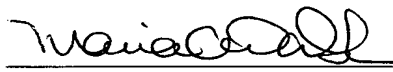


**REMARKS**

Amendments to the Drawings as requested by the Examiner have been made. There were no other objections to the application, so all of the Examiner's objections have been addressed. Applicants respectfully submit that the claims are in condition for allowance and favorable action is requested. Applicants invite the Examiner to telephone the undersigned attorney if there are any issues outstanding which have not been presented to the Examiner's satisfaction.

Respectfully submitted,

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**AMENDMENTS TO THE DRAWINGS**

Kindly replace Drawing Sheet 1/3 with the attached Replacement Drawing Sheet 1/3.

**SUPPORT FOR THE AMENDMENT**

Drawing sheet 1/3 has been amended to include reference numerals 119 and 107 for the channel and intervening gap, respectively. Support for this amendment is located (as kindly indicated by the Examiner) at page 9, final full sentences for reference numeral 119 and at page 11, lines 7-8, for reference numeral 107.

It is believed there is no possibility of new matter and entry and consideration is respectfully requested.